



Inter-Canyon League

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P.O. Box 301, Silverado, CA. 92676

INTER-CANYON LEAGUE MEETING

JULY 7, 2009

Silverado Community Center

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Deborah Johnson, President; Bob Hunt, Vice-President; Mary Schreiber, Secretary, Board Member Mike Colgan. Others present: Mary Robinson, Gene Robinson, Joanne Hubble, Annie King, Hank Rodgers, Bob Click, Mike Boeck, Steve Kerrigan, Judy Myers, Don Boursier, Jeff Sheldon, Paul Ratzenberger, Anthony Beigel, Scott Shald.

I. The meeting was called to order by President Deborah Johnson at 7:08 p.m.

II. The minutes of the previous meeting were handed out and read. The minutes were approved as amended.

III. Financial Report: Because Fran Williams was absent, no report was given.

IV. Committee Reports:

ICL Santiago Fire Relief Effort: No report.

Fire Safe Council: Mary Schreiber reported that more than 100 loads of brush were removed from the two Canyon Clean Sweep weekends., but at present no funding is available for Clean Sweep days in 2010. Mary and Leslie have met with one arborist and a migratory bird representative. They cannot begin tree removal until September 1 at the earliest.

Canyon Watch: Gene Robinson reported that John Williams has agreed to act as the new Fire Watch Commander in Modjeska Canyon. Gene has met with John, and attended a meeting with the Modjeska people. Gene reported that Canyon Watch patrolled July 3 and 4. Tom Smisek is the newest Canyon Watch member.

Brown Baggers Seniors Group: Judy reported that Joel Robinson is making a slide show/video about wildlife in the canyons.

Forest Liaison Committee: Hank Rodgers reported that the Santa Ana Mountains Historical Society has begun staffing the building at the end of Silverado Canyon on Saturday and Sunday from 9 am until 4 pm.

V. OLD BUSINESS

SMRPD (Parks and Rec Board) Bob Hunt reported that the judge heard oral arguments concerning payment of court fees; which felt was a hopeful sign.

Silverado School: Debbie reported that there is a July 15 meeting planned at the Community Center with people from the Saddleback Valley Unified School District. Joanne Hubble will send information to the Canyon communities about the meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Mary Schreiber, seconded by Mike Boeck, that a letter be drafted from ICL to the Orange Unified School District, requesting that ICL be allowed to take possession of the ore cart at the front of Silverado School. The motion passed unanimously.

Mike Colgan invited members of OCFA Station 15 and members of the Station 14 Volunteer Station to speak to the group about how the community can be of more help to the fire fighters. Also present was a representative of the USFS stationed in Silverado. Presently, Stations 14, 15, 16 and 18 have four helicopters in this area. Additionally, Don Boursier introduced the "Ready, Set, Go" program. This is a 20-30 minute presentation which provides information to homeowners in the canyons about ways to protect their homes from fire. Fire personnel will go house-to-house to help residents prepare. This information will not be shared with insurance companies and the like. Steve Kerrigan, from Station 14, commented that some of the most helpful things the community does includes recruitment, the Easter Pancake Breakfast, the Fire Safe Council and the Canyon Watch Program.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.